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SUBJECT: GDR TO OBSERVE 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF BERLIN WALL

1. THE GDR HAS ANNOUNCED THAT IT WILL STAGE A DEMONSTRATION IN EAST BERLIN ON AUGUST 13 TO MARK THE 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BERLIN WALL, IN GDR PARLANCE THE "15TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SECURE DEFENSE OF THE STATE BOUNDARIES OF THE GDR". ACCORDING TO AN APPEAL DIRECTED AT EAST BERLINERS IN NEUES DEUTSCHLAND AUGUST 11, THE EVENT WILL CONSIST OF A SPEECH BY POLITBURO MEMBER AND SED FIRST SECRETARY OF EAST BERLIN KONRAD NEUMANN AND A MARCH BY THE "FIGHTING GROUPS OF THE WORKING CLASS", THE GDR PARAMILITARY ORGANIZATION. EAST BERLINERS ARE CALLED UPON TO PARTICIPATE AND SHOW THEIR READINESS TO PROTECT PEACE AND THE GDR. THE EVENT WILL

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BE STAGED BY THE SED DISTRICT LEADERSHIP OBF BERLIN AND

THE NATIONAL FRONT IN KARL MARX ALLEE.

2. COMMENT: THE AUGUST 13 CELEBRATIONS HAVE OCCURRED IN EAST BERLIN ON OCCASION IN THE PAST. THE FACT THAT THE GDR HAS ANNOUNCED THE AUGUST 13 DEMONSTRATION JUST TWO DAYS BEFORE THE EVENT INDICATES THAT THE DECISION TO PLAY UP THE ANNIVERSARY CAME AT THE LAST MINUTE, PROBABLY IN RESPONSE TO RECENT FRG/GDR BORDER INCIDENTS. COOPER

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